GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOSSES SUFFERED BY POWER SECTOR IN GUJARAT
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Will the Minister of NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) the quantum of losses suffered by Departments in Central / State Governments of his Ministry due to recent earthquake in Gujarat; and

(b) the relief / aid sent by his Ministry/ Departments to their Departments as well as for earthquake victims?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE FOR NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (INDEPENDENT CHARGE), (SHRI M. KANNAPPAN)

(a): The Government of Gujarat has reported that there has been no major damage to the plants and machinery of the renewable energy projects due to the recent earthquake in Gujarat, except minor damages to the civil structures of one wind power and one biomass gasifier based power plant. The estimated cost of repairs of these damages is about Rs.3.00 lakhs.

(b): 5,000 solar lanterns, 1,000 community chulhas and 1,000 improved chulhas have been sent by the Ministry to the Government of Gujarat as immediate relief/aid for the earthquake victims. Additional renewable energy devices have also been offered, as required by the Gujarat Government.

As a gesture of goodwill, the staff of Ministry and IREDA have also contributed Rs.16.91 lakhs to the PM`s Relief Fund for the earthquake relief.